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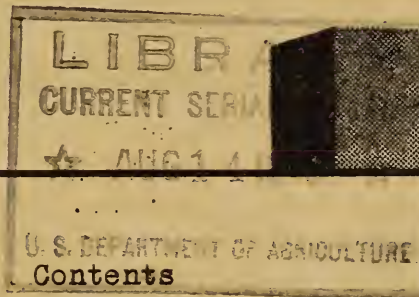
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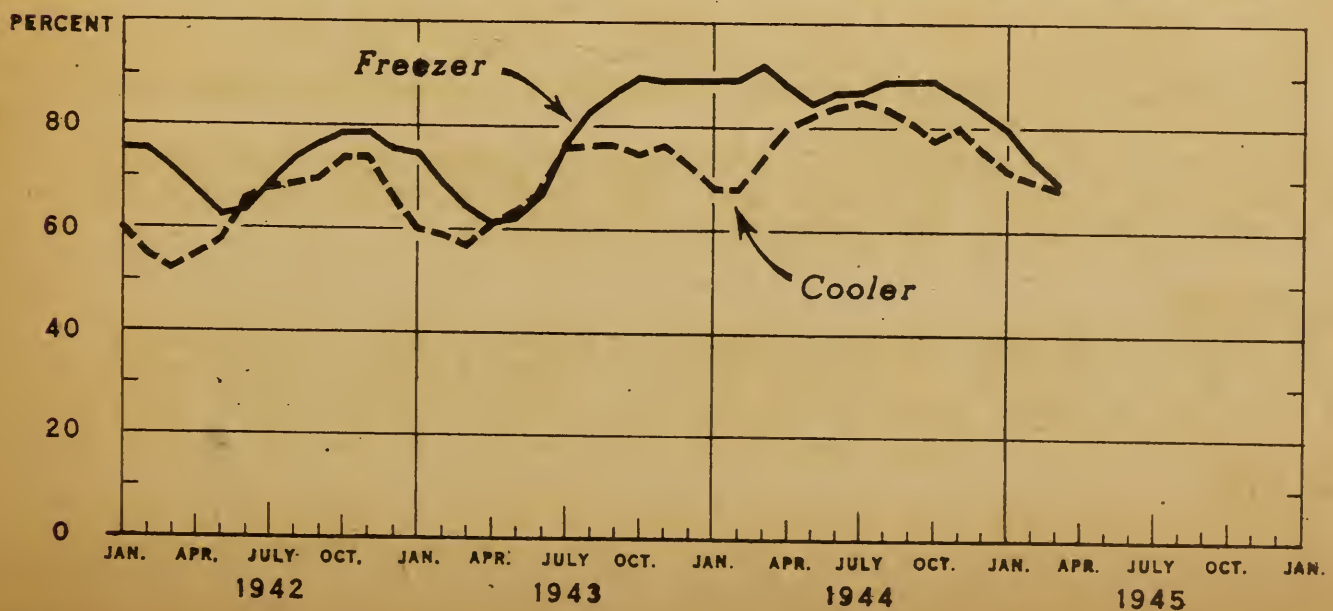
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OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES, 1942-45



Cold storage space and holdings March 1, 1945

Occupancy of cold storage warehouses

Occupancy in public cold storage warehouses on March 1 stood at 68 percent for coolers and 69 percent for freezers. Last month the occupancy figures were 70 and 73 percent respectively. This change was in accordance with the normal trend. Cooler occupancy as of March 1 was 6 points lower than March 1 last year but 16 points above the March 1 5-year average. Freezer occupancy was 23 points lower than last year and 3 points below the March 1 5-year average.

Occupancy in private warehouses also declined during February. Cooler occupancy dropped from 78 percent on February 1 to 72 percent March 1; freezers from 80 to 75 percent. Meat-packing plants on the other hand showed a slight increase. The February figures were 92 and 75 while the March 1 figures were 91 and 77 for coolers and freezers respectively. The decline in occupancy was general and fairly even throughout the country.

Commodities which had a heavy percentage movement out of coolers were apples, pears, fish, lard and pork fat. The movement of lard and pork fat was contra-seasonal for the month of February. While the percentage appears high the total out-movement of some 347 million pounds was not excessive. Such cooler commodities as shell eggs, dried fruits, nutmeats and canned meats moved in to coolers.

All freezer commodities except beef and sausage showed decreases during February. On a percentage basis fish had the greatest out-movement. Stocks of other items which decreased appreciably were butter, frozen vegetables, frozen eggs, poultry, and pork. Sausage stocks increased 22 percent and beef stocks 15 percent during February.

Fruits and vegetables

Fresh apples and pears were removed from storage during February in accordance with the seasonal pattern. Apple holdings of 18.6 million bushels were some 8 million bushels above the holdings of March 1, 1944 and 4 million bushels above the March 1, 5-year average. The out-movement during February was heavier than average. Holdings of 510,000 bushels of pears on March 1 were slightly above average.

During February there was an in-movement of 4.5 million pounds of other fresh fruits. Fresh vegetables in cold storage on March 1, mainly potatoes and onions totalled 183.8 million pounds which quantity is 25.1 million pounds greater than a month earlier.

A decrease of 24.4 million pounds of frozen fruits during February brought the March 1 holdings to 217.9 million pounds. This quantity is in excess of the normal holdings for this season, being over a third above the 5-year average. The out-movement during February continued as in previous months at a more accelerated rate than normal.

Frozen vegetables amounting to 124.5 million pounds were 29.3 million pounds below the holdings of a year ago. The decreases were evident in holdings of green peas and in the unclassified vegetables.

Meats and lard

The items of primary storage interest on March 1 were meat and lard. Stocks of total meat which seasonally pile up during February moved contra-trend bringing the total quantity in storage to 592 million pounds. This is a record low for March 1, being some 19 million pounds less than the previous low in 1936.

Stocks of pork were less than half those of March 1, 1944 and slightly more than half the quantity stored for the 5-year average. Pork in storage on

March 1 was some 81 million pounds short of the previous record low. The contra-trend withdrawal during February of 37.5 million pounds of pork was in contrast to the heavy in-movement of 145.5 million pounds a year earlier and an average in-movement of 60.2 million pounds. Holdings of beef on March 1 were less than half the abnormally heavy load of 1944, but were in line with the average stocks for March.

As in the case of pork, lard and rendered pork fat were withdrawn from storage contra-seasonally. The holdings of 68.3 million pounds were only a fifth as great as last March and were slightly more than a fourth the average. During February 13.4 million pounds of lard were removed from storage whereas during the same month of the previous year 113.5 million pounds of lard were moved into storage and on the average 39 million pounds of lard and pork fat move into storage.

Dairy and poultry

The February changes in dairy and poultry cold storage holdings were not great following the seasonal pattern. Dairy products showed a net decrease during February. Creamery butter stocks of 31.2 million pounds were 76.4 million pounds less than the stocks of a year earlier and 12.5 million pounds less than the 5-year average. While there was a net decrease of 7.7 million pounds of butter, civilian stocks remained approximately the same as on February 1, the net drop taking place in Government holdings. Stocks of cheese totaled 127.2 million pounds on March 1, which quantity compares favorably with a 5-yr. average. Shell egg holdings of 524,000 cases showed a net increase of 228,000 cases during February. Most of this increase was in Government stocks.

Shell egg holdings were little more than a fourth as great as the holdings of a year ago and were below the 5-year average. Holdings of dried and frozen eggs, however, were heavier than normal with the result that the total case equivalent was 11.5 million cases above the 5-year average.

Holdings of poultry, 184.2 million pounds, were 36.7 million pounds below the holdings of a year ago but above the average. The out-movement of poultry during February was about normal.

Fishery products

The preliminary statistics on fishery products furnished by the Department of Interior indicate that the stocks on hand as of March 1, were considerably below the holdings of last month and below the holdings of a year ago. The March 1 holdings were approximately 30 percent below the 5-year average. An out-movement of fishery products is normal for the season, but the out-movement during February was in excess of normal.

The storage outlook for month of March

Normally the occupancy of coolers increases during March; freezer occupancy decreases. It can be expected that this seasonal pattern will be followed this year. The only commodities which normally move into storage during March are shell eggs, frozen eggs, and dried eggs. All other commodities normally show a net withdrawal from storage during March. Heaviest out-movements may be expected in fresh fruits, frozen fruits and vegetables, and in all dairy and poultry products. Meats and meat products are normally withdrawn during March but in insignificant quantities. It may be assumed that no general storage space problem will develop during March.

PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES
(APPLE HOUSES EXCLUDED)
NET PILING SPACE AND PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED
MARCH 1, 1945

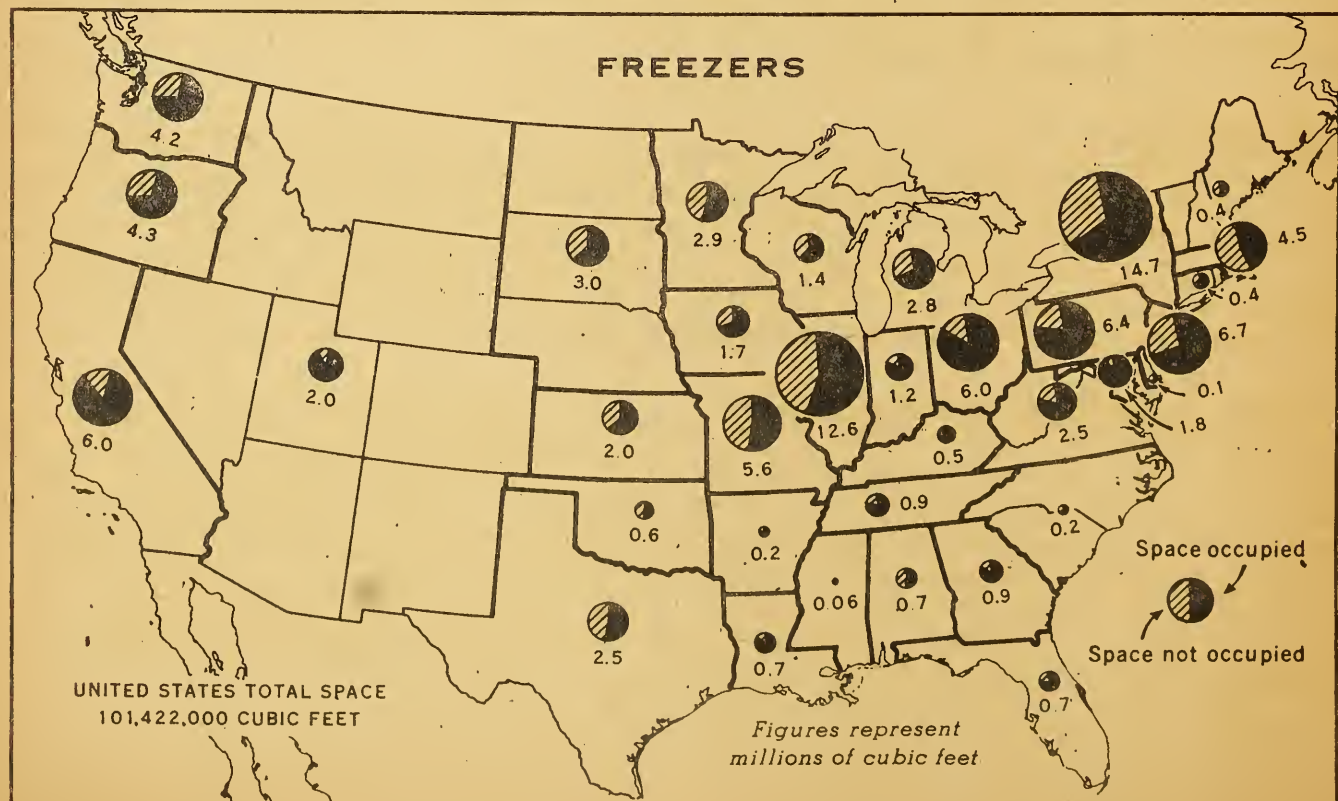
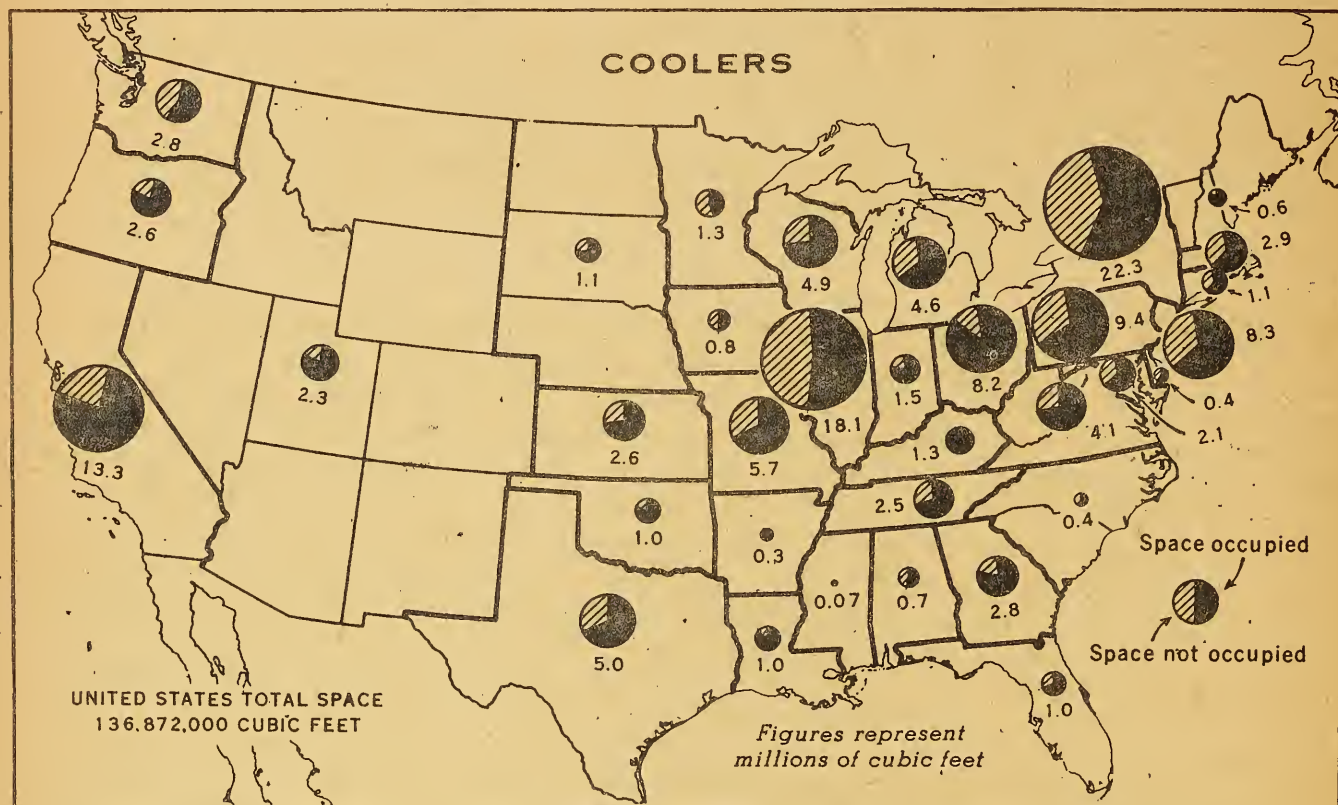


Table 1.-Public cold storage warehouses
(Apple houses excluded)

(Net Piling Space and Percentage of Space Occupied, Feb. 1, and Mar. 1, 1944 and 1945.)										
State or Geographic Region	Net Piling Space 1/		Percentage of Space Occupied 2/							
	Cooler	Freezer	Feb. 1, 1944		Mar. 1, 1944		Feb. 1, 1945		Mar. 1, 1945 3/	
			Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	("000" cu. ft.)		(Percent)							
Maine, N. H. and Vt.....	554	427	67	83	76	86	94	63	87	55
Massachusetts.....	2,938	4,542	67	83	74	82	70	55	65	47
R. I. and Connecticut....	1,055	421	67	83	53	86	49	58	61	62
NEW ENGLAND.....	4,547	5,390	67	83	70	82	68	56	66	48
New York.....	22,257	14,681	71	89	72	95	65	75	61	68
New Jersey.....	8,304	6,742	82	89	83	92	84	82	67	73
Pennsylvania.....	9,431	6,368	67	91	71	92	69	84	69	80
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	39,992	27,791	72	90	74	94	70	79	64	72
Ohio.....	8,188	6,003	70	90	77	93	75	84	88	86
Indiana.....	1,465	1,245	66	96	81	93	76	80	80	83
Illinois.....	18,056	12,636	53	91	58	95	55	63	53	57
Michigan.....	4,629	2,828	70	80	76	93	68	75	67	69
Wisconsin.....	4,853	1,439	65	96	74	93	74	62	74	62
EAST NORTH CENTRAL....	37,191	24,151	63	91	68	94	65	70	66	67
Minnesota.....	1,328	2,865	51	85	73	90	53	60	45	55
Iowa.....	772	1,706	64	94	81	94	61	71	52	69
Missouri.....	5,732	5,574	66	86	77	89	74	56	69	53
Dakotas and Nebraska....	1,072	2,950	92	97	90	94	72	65	74	63
Kansas.....	2,590	2,009	54	97	86	95	73	65	72	64
WEST NORTH CENTRAL....	11,494	15,104	62	89	79	91	70	61	66	58
Delaware.....	403	139	63	93	59	48	70	75	60	79
Maryland and D. C.....	2,089	1,791	63	93	77	96	56	90	67	93
Virginia and West Va....	4,140	2,494	73	97	71	96	77	84	75	82
No. & So. Carolina.....	359	185	60	94	69	94	65	71	59	71
Georgia.....	2,766	912	84	93	96	100	82	82	80	85
Florida.....	992	693	74	78	79	92	76	71	70	72
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	10,749	6,214	73	93	75	94	73	84	73	85
Kentucky.....	1,257	540	70	97	56	100	99	100	98	100
Tennessee.....	2,509	929	70	97	81	98	71	78	72	81
Alabama.....	678	686	85	99	90	99	59	70	55	54
Mississippi.....	73	64	85	99	--	86	100	33	100	33
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL....	4,517	2,219	72	98	73	98	78	80	78	75
Arkansas.....	329	200	77	88	89	98	89	85	95	82
Louisiana.....	994	742	77	88	86	91	84	91	89	88
Oklahoma.....	989	608	77	88	89	78	89	63	83	51
Texas.....	5,008	2,548	73	86	82	88	70	65	69	53
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL....	7,320	4,098	73	86	84	87	75	70	74	60
MOUNTAIN.....	2,320	1,952	55	95	82	96	84	92	79	89
Washington.....	2,835	4,160	67	84	74	85	57	69	55	71
Oregon.....	2,563	4,318	37	72	75	86	80	81	78	70
California.....	13,364	6,025	75	93	80	93	78	88	77	85
PACIFIC.....	18,742	14,503	68	84	74	89	75	81	74	77
UNITED STATES.....	136,872	101,422	4/ 68	4/ 89	4/ 74	4/ 92	4/ 70	4/ 73	4/ 68	4/ 69

1/ Space survey of October 1, 1943.

2/ Percentages for the periods covered are comparable.

3/ Preliminary.

4/ Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES OTHER THAN PUBLIC

NET PILING SPACE AND PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED

MARCH 1, 1945

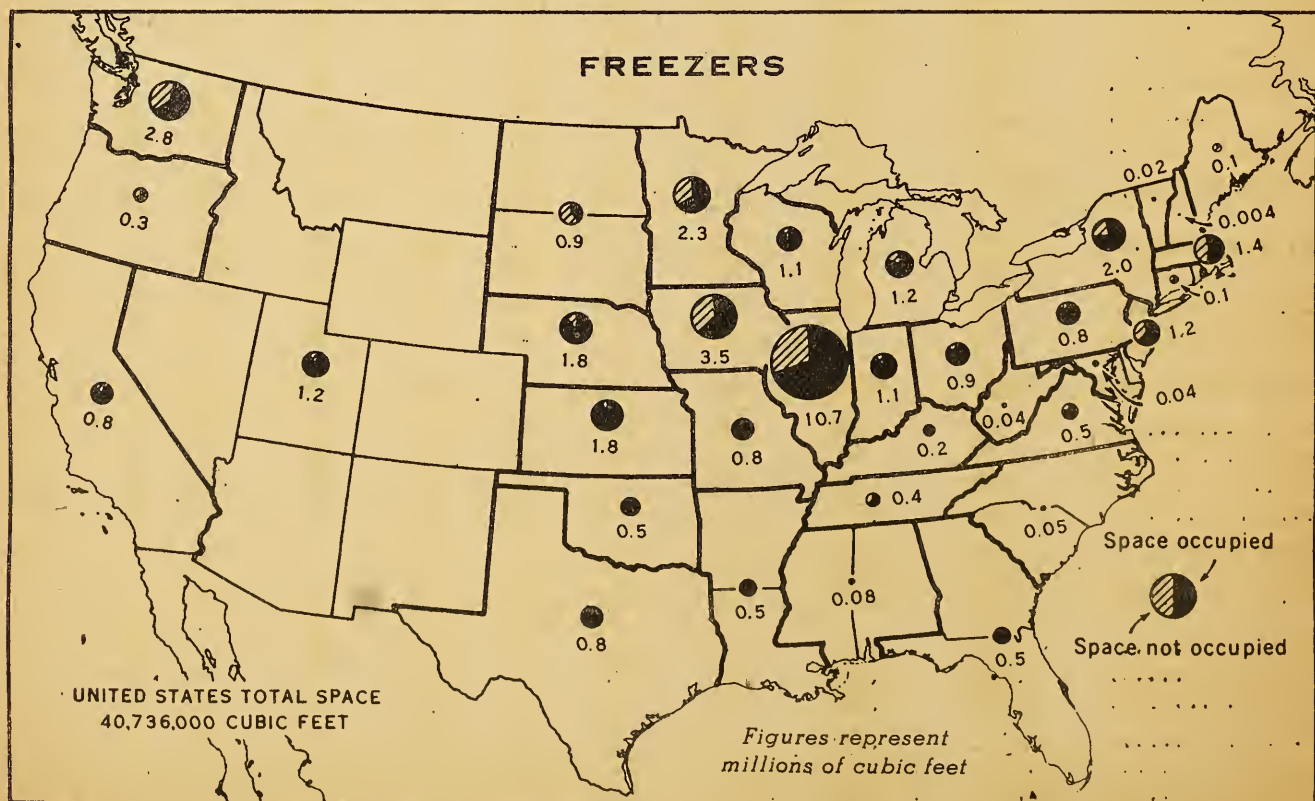
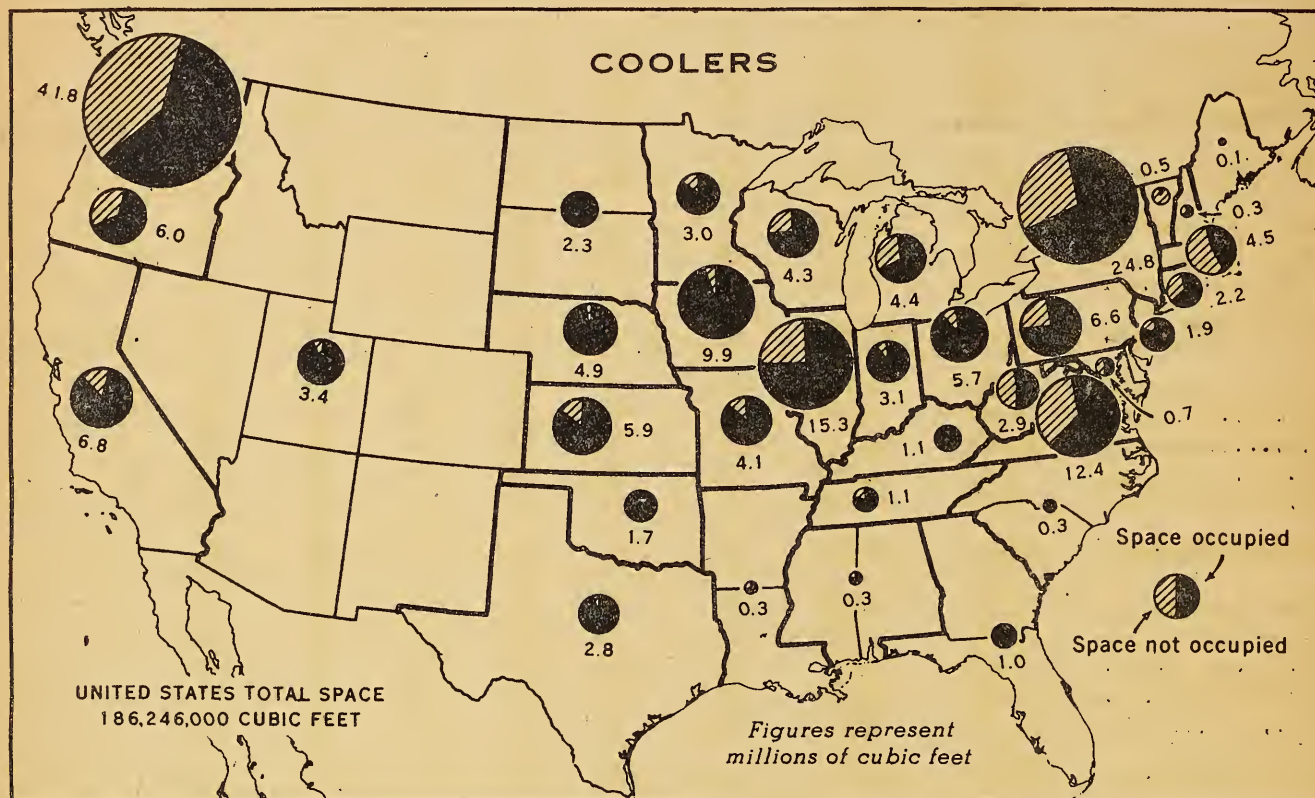


Table 2.-Private, semi-private warehouses and meat-packing plants
(Apple houses excluded)

(Net Piling Space and Percentage of Space Occupied Mar. 1, 1945.)								
State or Geographic Region	Private and Semi-Private Warehouses				Meat-packing Establishments			
	Net Piling Space 1/		Space Occupied		Net Piling Space 1/		Space Occupied	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	("000" cu. ft.)		(Percent)		("000" cu. ft.)		(Percent)	
NEW ENGLAND.....	441	938	71	91	2,176	776	42	12
New York.....	2,035	1,070	67	70	5,086	592	96	80
New Jersey.....	47	544	100	100	566	588	83	48
Pennsylvania.....	1,899	389	88	99	1,804	353	89	90
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	3,981	2,003	78	79	7,456	1,533	93	69
Ohio.....	692	459	84	86	4,218	442	99	93
Indiana.....	201	207	86	89	2,419	910	99	95
Illinois.....	308	855	30	65	13,538	9,778	81	72
Michigan.....	1,298	828	66	87	1,988	414	98	62
Wisconsin.....	2,027	165	65	99	2,226	885	87	92
EAST NORTH CENTRAL....	4,516	2,514	64	80	24,389	12,429	88	77
Minnesota.....	132	651	70	51	2,871	1,678	94	773
Iowa.....	515	631	68	63	9,385	2,886	96	64
Missouri.....	47	68	100	100	2,974	757	97	99
No. & So. Dak. & Nebr....	501	545	71	71	6,754	2,148	100	74
Kansas.....	870	399	89	89	4,865	1,428	86	95
WEST NORTH CENTRAL....	2,065	2,294	77	68	26,849	8,897	93	77
Del. Md. Va. & W. Va....	52	269	100	89	850	55	86	98
NC., SC., Ga. & Fla....	83	53	100	86	1,063	503	100	100
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	135	322	100	89	1,213	558	93	100
Kentucky & Tennessee....	180	139	99	98	1,713	358	96	67
Alabama & Mississippi....	41	24	33	38	231	58	100	100
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL....	221	163	87	89	1,944	416	96	69
Ark., La. & Oklahoma....	46	543	98	100	1,680	530	100	97
Texas.....	350	80	64	100	2,390	757	98	96
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL....	396	623	69	100	4,070	1,287	99	96
Mont. Idaho, Wyo. & Colo.	173	185	67	72	2,059	543	98	98
Ariz. Utah & Nevada.....	133	227	50	90	585	206	96	100
MOUNTAIN.....	306	412	60	82	2,644	749	98	99
Washington & Oregon.....	695	2,561	74	56	1,314	492	90	92
California.....	98	84	85	97	3,152	623	97	92
PACIFIC.....	793	2,645	75	57	4,466	1,115	95	92
UNITED STATES.....	12,864	11,914	2/ 72	2/ 75	75,907	27,760	2/ 91	2/ 77

1/ Space Survey October 1, 1943.

2/ Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic region based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 3.— Apple houses

(Net piling space and percentage of space occupied in apple houses March 1, 1945)

State	Net piling space ^{1/}		Space occupied	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	("000" cu. ft.)		(Percent)	
N.H.....	268	-	65	-
Vt.....	497	7	12	-
Mass.....	2,330	-	53	-
Conn.....	1,848	6	68	100
N.Y.....	17,647	309	66	84
N.J.....	1,237	52	84	100
Penn.....	2,903	93	61	100
Ohio.....	786	1	73	-
Ind.....	482	-	52	-
Ill.....	1,470	41	74	100
Mich.....	1,066	-	51	83
Mo.....	1,124	2	67	100
Kans.....	161	0	52	100
Del. Md. & Va.....	12,242	188	62	61
W. Va. & N.C.....	2,939	49	55	73
Ky. & Tenn.....	332	71	41	-
Ark. Okla. & Tex.....	340	15	72	92
Idaho & N. Mex.....	412	24	80	100
Wash.....	40,384	70	59	73
Ore.....	5,422	8	64	100
Calif.....	3,588	120	69	53
United States.....	97,478	1,062	<u>2/</u> 62	<u>2/</u> 73

^{1/} Space survey October 1, 1943.^{2/} Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 4.— March holdings and changes during February 1945*

Cooler commodities	Holdings	Net changes		Freezer commodities	Holdings	Net changes	
	March 1	during Feb.			March 1	during Feb.	
	"000"lbs.	"000"lbs.	%		"000"lbs.	"000"lbs.	%
Apples.....	895,344	-322,752	-26	Fruits.....	217,859	-24,394	-10
Pears.....	25,500	-23,550	-48	Vegetables.....	124,484	-21,138	-15
Dried & Ev.Fts..	46,430	3,123	7	Cream.....	10,060	-1,302	-11
Can'd fts. & veg.	2,267	92	4	Cream'y butter.	31,200	-7,726	-20
Nuts & nutmeats.	82,508	8,648	12	Eggs.....	85,392	-13,593	-14
Fish.....	8,222	-6,492	-44	Poultry.....	184,152	-31,380	-15
Cheese.....	127,224	-6,549	-5	Beef.....	125,447	16,797	15
Shell eggs.....	23,580	10,260	77	Pork.....	156,161	-22,628	-13
Dried eggs.....	111,102	3,194	3	Sausage.....	13,726	2,471	22
Beef.....	7,283	-160	-2	Lamb & mutton..	16,433	-1,825	-10
Pork.....	213,493	-14,920	-7	Veal.....	6,409	-3	-
Sausage.....	6,809	-949	-12	Edible offal...	28,802	-5,155	-15
Canned meats....	17,423	825	5	Lard & fat.....	2,565	-66	-3
Lard & pork fat.	65,571	-13,292	-17	Fish.....	43,166	-34,083	-44
Other.....	345,284	15,831	5	Other.....	6,755	-2,771	-29
Total	1,978,040	-346,691	-15	Total	1,052,611	-146,796	-12

*For a detailed breakdown see the following tables.

Fresh fruits

There are still sizable quantities of fresh fruits especially apples in cold storage in spite of a heavier than normal out-movement during February. Present holdings of apples are more than 4 million bushels greater than the five year average while the present holdings of pears are approximately 80 thousand bushels greater than the five year average. (For a more detailed discussion see page 2.)

Table 5.-Fresh fruits

Commodity	Unit	Mar. 1 5-yr av. 1940-44	Mar. 1 1944	Feb. 1 1945	Mar. 1 1945
FRESH FRUITS		-Thousands-			
Apples.....	Barrels	46	5	57	35
Apples.....	Western bxs.	7,108	5,700	10,789	7,677
Apples.....	Eastern bxs.	3,783	2,766	7,517	5,751
Apples.....	Bushel baskets	3,543	2,020	6,900	5,120
Total apples.....	Bushels	14,572	10,501	25,577	18,653
Pears, Bartletts.....	Packed bxs.	8	6	27	21
Pears, Bartletts.....	Loose bxs.	4	6	-	20
Pears, other varieties.....	Boxes	411	216	911	436
Pears.....	Bushel bskts.	9	6	43	33
Total pears.....	Bushels	432	234	981	510
Other fresh fruits.....	Pounds	-	-	12,786	17,241

Table 6.-Apple and pear holdings by states

State	Apple holdings		Pear holdings	
	Mar. 1, 1944	Mar. 1, 1945	Mar. 1, 1944	Mar. 1, 1945
-Thousands of bushels-				
Vermont.....	27	23	-	-
Massachusetts.....	303	777	-	-
Connecticut.....	73	251	-	-
New York.....	1,728	3,154	12	39
New Jersey.....	490	781	8	2
Pennsylvania.....	445	1,201	3	6
Ohio.....	186	484	4	4
Indiana.....	32	135	-	-
Illinois.....	326	543	1	1
Michigan.....	288	505	-	-
Wisconsin.....	25	121	7	5
Missouri.....	98	204	2	2
Virginia.....	682	2,396	1	7
West Virginia.....	76	393	-	-
Washington.....	4,615	5,252	17	36
Oregon.....	292	437	91	263
California.....	577	1,243	86	121
Other states 1/.....	238	753	2	24
Total.....	10,501	18,653	234	510

1/ Holdings for states having significant quantities of apples or pears are given above. Other holdings shown under "Other States".

Frozen fruit and vegetable stocks

Frozen fruit stocks stood at 217,859,000 pounds on March 1. This was a heavier inventory than either that of March 1 a year ago or the March 1 5-year average. Frozen vegetable holdings of 124,484,000 pounds were 29 million pounds below last year's March 1 holdings but were well above the average. The removal of frozen fruits from storage during February was a third greater than normal and the withdrawal of frozen vegetables was approximately twice as great as normal.

Table 7.— Frozen fruits and vegetables

Commodity	Mar. 1 5-yr. av. 1940-44	March 1 1944	February 1 1945	March 1 1945
-Thousands of pounds-				
FROZEN FRUITS				
Apples.....	-	-	40,820	45,825
Blackberries.....	5,033	6,263	9,316	7,144
Cherries.....	18,994	14,215	28,138	22,966
Young, Logan, Boysen, etc.....	2,756	3,290	8,134	6,583
Raspberries.....	11,265	13,140	11,039	9,424
Strawberries.....	29,582	16,783	17,541	14,577
Grapes.....	-	-	16,216	13,268
Plums and prunes.....	-	-	12,251	11,244
Peaches.....	-	-	26,532	21,998
Fruit juices and purees.....	-	-	15,945	15,074
All other fruits.....	71,029	132,376	56,321	49,756
Total.....	138,659	186,067	242,253	217,859
FROZEN VEGETABLES				
Asparagus.....	5,033	4,009	4,890	4,061
Beans, lima.....	11,323	8,499	10,312	8,229
Beans, snap.....	6,153	12,284	13,590	11,291
Broccoli.....	1,856	2,861	4,560	6,204
Cauliflower.....	-	-	2,779	2,936
Corn, sweet.....	6,761	13,116	16,939	14,559
Peas, green.....	24,031	35,325	37,403	29,540
Spinach.....	6,033	10,476	14,799	11,648
Brussel sprouts.....	-	-	3,366	2,847
Pumpkin and squash.....	-	-	7,163	6,837
Baked beans.....	-	-	3,069	2,375
Vegetable purees.....	-	-	568	542
All other vegetables.....	24,088	67,250	26,184	23,415
Total.....	85,278	153,820	145,622	124,484

Table 8.— Other refrigerated commodities

Commodity*	February 1 1945	March 1 1945
-Thousands of pounds-		
Dried and evaporated fruits...	43,307	46,430
Canned fruits and vegetables..	2,175	2,267
Fresh vegetables.....	158,683	183,834
Nuts in shell.....	36,331	38,319
Nutmeats.....	37,529	44,189
Fish.....	91,963	51,438
Hides and pelts.....	60,030	59,524

*Data were collected on none of these commodities except fish before July, 1944.

Meats and meat products

The total storage supply of meat moved out during February. This movement was contra-seasonal. The storage stocks of pork were low compared with the 5-year average or compared with the previous low of 1936. The movement of beef on the other hand was about normal for the month of February. Stocks of lard and rendered pork fat which followed the movement of pork were very low for this season. (For a detailed discussion see page 3.)

Table 9.-Meats and lard

Commodity	Mar. 1 5-yr. av. 1940-44	Mar. 1 1944	Feb. 1 1945	Mar. 1 1945
- Thousands of pounds -				
BEEF				
Frozen.....	126,938	268,934	107,118	124,356
In cure, cured and smoked.....	14,154	10,720	8,975	8,374
Total Beef.....	141,092	279,654	116,093	132,730
PORK				
Frozen.....	334,188	379,238	149,664	133,031
Dry salt in cure and cured.....	118,361	177,647	95,897	99,508
Other in cure, cured & smoked.....	243,187	235,228	161,641	137,115
Total Pork.....	695,736	792,113	407,202	369,654
OTHER MEATS AND MEAT PRODUCTS				
Sausage and sausage room products..	-	-	19,013	20,535
Frozen lamb and mutton.....	13,811	32,251	18,258	16,433
Frozen veal.....	-	-	6,412	6,409
Canned meats and meat products.....	-	-	16,598	17,423
All edible offal*.....	109,512	152,090	33,957	28,802
Total other meats & meat prod.	123,323	184,341	94,238	89,602
TOTAL ALL MEATS.*	960,151	1,256,108	617,533	591,986
LARD & RENDERED PORK FAT				
Lard.....	254,719	361,508	75,401	65,016
Rendered pork fat.....	-	-	6,093	3,120
Total.....	254,719	361,508	81,494	68,136

*Current figures not comparable with last yr. and 5 yr. av.

Table 10.-Government holdings of major commodities*

Commodity	Unit	Mar. 1 5-yr. av. 1940-44	Mar. 1 1944	Feb. 1 1945	Mar. 1 1945
- Thousands -					
Creamery butter.....	lb.	17,919	74,489	24,582	17,037
American cheese.....	lb.	-	66,202	62,847	59,907
Shell eggs.....	case	-	82	189	383
Frozen eggs.....	lb.	-	-	39,731	30,073
Dried eggs.....	lb.	-	51,176	95,803	106,600
Poultry.....	lb.	-	-	99,574	94,562
Pork (Frozen and cured).....	lb.	-	34,572	74,283	90,593
Lard and rendered pork fat.....	lb.	-	200,229	38,917	28,970

*Government Holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by D.P.M.A., W.F.A., the armed services and other government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the armed services held some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available for publication. Current figures not comparable with last yr. and 5 yr. av.

Dairy and poultry products

The movement in dairy and poultry commodities during last month was seasonal. The out movement was principally in government holdings. This was particularly true of butter and poultry. The seasonal in-movement of shell eggs had not gotten under way to any appreciable degree by March 1. Holdings in cheese and poultry on March 1 were slightly above the five year average. Holdings in dried and frozen eggs are still heavy; making the total case equivalent of eggs in storage considerably above the average. (For a more detailed discussion see page 3.)

Table 11.-Dairy and poultry products

Commodity	Unit	Mar. 1 5-yr. av. 1940-44	Mar. 1 1944	Feb. 1 1945	Mar. 1 1945
- Thousands -					
CREAM					
Fluid.....	lb. }	11,303 }	20,543	8,535	7,251
Plastic.....	lb. }			2,827	2,809
BUTTER					
Creamery, total.....	lb.	43,683	107,560	38,926	31,200
CHEESE					
American, total.....	lb.	105,351	144,812	124,627	117,557
Swiss including block....	lb.	3,868	736	763	687
Brick and munster.....	lb.	624	137	83	90
All other varieties.....	lb.	15,726	26,271	8,300	8,890
Total Cheese.....	lb.	125,569	171,956	133,773	127,224
EGGS					
Shell, total.....	case	775	2,008	296	524
Frozen Eggs, total*.....	lb.	62,436	98,597	98,985	85,392
Whites.....	lb.	-	-	14,718	11,822
Yolks.....	lb.	-	-	8,937	7,382
Mixed.....	lb.	-	-	59,279	48,547
Dried Eggs, total.....	lb.	-	51,176	107,908	111,102
Whole.....	lb.	-	-	107,749	111,011
Yolk.....	lb.	-	-	139	89
Albumen.....	lb.	-	-	20	2
Total Eggs*.....	case	2,440	9,755	13,711	13,911
FROZEN POULTRY					
Broilers.....	lb.	9,146	13,579	4,775	3,531
Fryers.....	lb.	11,063	17,774	11,465	11,116
Roasters.....	lb.	28,039	36,882	25,334	21,667
Fowls.....	lb.	32,153	59,676	58,690	44,829
Turkeys.....	lb.	51,204	47,090	74,077	62,523
Ducks.....	lb.	2,476	1,598	1,714	993
Miscellaneous poultry...	lb.	16,888	26,517	15,616	13,533
Unclassified poultry....	lb.	10,984	17,747	23,861	25,960
Total poultry.....	lb.	161,953	220,863	215,532	184,152

* Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 37.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 10 pounds to the case. Dried eggs are not included in 5-yr. av. for total eggs. Of the total frozen eggs some are unclassified.

Table 12.-Dairy and poultry holdings by states

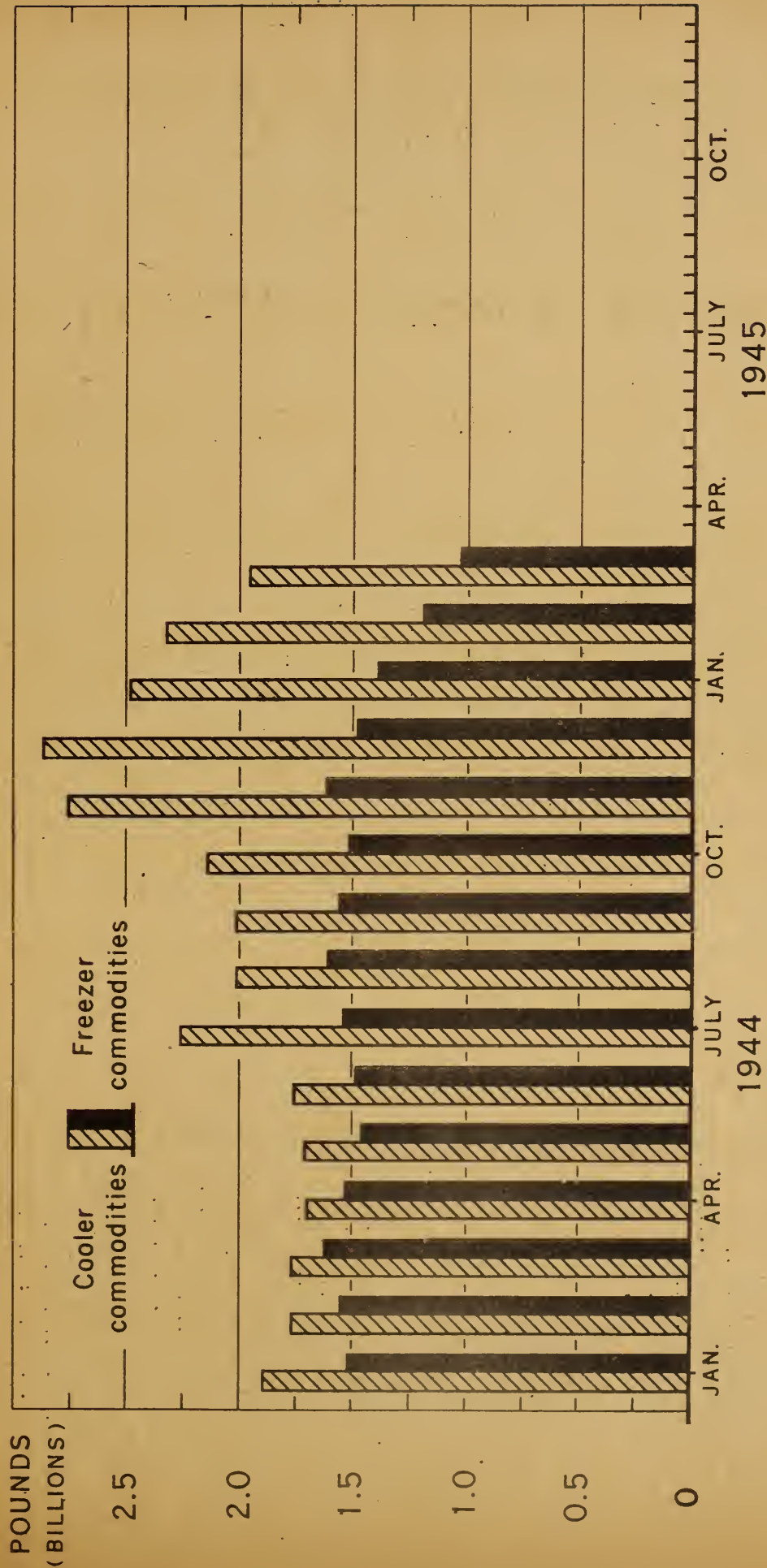
State	Cream		Creamery	American	Shell	Frozen	Total
	Fluid lbs.	Plastic lbs.	Butter lbs.	Cheese lbs.	Eggs Cases	Eggs lbs.	Poultry lbs.
- Thousands -							
Massachusetts.....	138	142	2,094	390	9	3,232	4,872
Other States.....			311	186	3	1,536	950
NEW ENGLAND.....			2,405	576	12	4,768	5,822
New York.....	3,043	353	3,444	8,831	65	11,465	18,760
New Jersey.....	150	17	3,099	2,866	101	6,821	10,425
Pennsylvania.....	220	332	4,546	3,716	11	4,201	7,437
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....			11,089	15,413	177	22,487	36,622
Ohio.....	150	-	1,388	3,316	3	9,021	2,971
Indiana.....	-	-	142	14	5	1,782	1,832
Illinois.....	26	90	2,639	1,674	74	7,651	34,252
Michigan.....	50	-	593	2,323	1	3,198	1,972
Wisconsin.....	530	-	695	61,648	8	893	2,615
EAST NORTH CENTRAL..			5,457	68,975	91	22,545	43,642
Minnesota.....	83	213	1,041	1,240	3	1,767	8,491
Iowa.....	116	7	256	225	4	2,490	4,420
Missouri.....	343	3	2,766	7,810	10	4,290	18,265
Dakotas.....			106	66	-	168	808
Nebraska.....			355	172	4	2,698	12,900
Kansas.....			609	716	1	2,028	5,554
WEST NORTH CENTRAL..			5,133	10,229	22	13,441	50,438
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....			1,513	739	33	3,193	7,231
Kentucky.....			78	83	5	458	697
Tennessee.....			158	2,908	1	1,287	802
Ala. and Mississippi...			97	436	4	316	434
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL..			333	3,427	10	2,061	1,933
Arkansas & Louisiana...			382	1,220	1	465	755
Oklahoma.....			52	726	-	559	1,380
Texas.....	21	104	808	2,923	6	3,443	1,309
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL..			1,242	4,869	7	4,467	3,444
Colorado.....			254	603	2	363	1,615
Other States.....			314	2,847	8	580	5,293
MOUNTAIN.....			568	3,450	10	943	6,908
Washington.....			271	1,383	18	2,453	7,380
Oregon.....			229	4,749	12	2,472	11,969
California.....	288	971	2,960	3,747	132	6,562	8,763
PACIFIC.....			3,460	9,879	162	11,487	28,112
Other States, cream only	2,093	577					
UNITED STATES.....	7,251	2,809	31,200	117,557	524	85,392	184,152

Table 13.-Cold storage holdings of fishery products ^{1/}

SPECIES	Mar. 1, 5-yr. av. 1940-44	Mar. 1 1944	Feb. 1 1945	Mar. 1 1945
Thousands of pounds -				
Salt-water Fish: Frozen				
Bait and animal food.....	1,490	2,055	531	892
Bluefish.....	93	63	132	84
Butterfish.....	507	671	323	223
Cod, Had'k, Hake, & Pollock, whole..	1,064	2,197	1,153	882
Croakers.....	436	615	1,148	495
Eels.....	196	287	147	142
Filletts (all kinds).....	7,160	5,369	12,025	5,957
Flounders (sole, fluke, etc.).....	686	1,051	438	194
Halibut.....	3,312	2,344	6,447	3,321
Herring (sea).....	1,416	2,453	876	652
Mackerel (Boston).....	2,895	3,003	5,010	2,211
Mullet.....	965	1,856	1,659	904
Sablefish (Black Cod).....	1,440	1,320	2,337	1,779
Salmon (all kinds).....	4,256	4,765	7,847	4,225
Scup (porgies).....	469	972	1,012	671
Sea Trout (Weakfish, gray & sptd)...	238	235	459	353
Shad & Shad Roe.....	467	506	767	615
Smelts (sea).....	1,569	1,693	424	1,015
Swordfish.....	307	183	446	367
Whiting.....	4,165	4,280	3,963	2,826
Other salt-water fish.....	6,444	11,455	12,518	9,548
Fresh-water Fish: Frozen				
Bait and animal food.....	292	498	1,154	865
Blue Pike and Sauger.....	1,519	2,398	628	458
Catfish and Bullheads.....	173	176	108	61
Chubs.....	237	283	344	216
Filletts (all kinds).....	-	-	930	341
Lake Herring.....	1,837	3,349	896	697
Lake Trout.....	582	488	455	342
Pickrel, Jacks or Yellow Jacks.....	514	1,123	525	394
Sturgeon and Spoonbill Cat.....	506	328	93	54
Suckers.....	36	62	84	53
Tullibee.....	278	119	160	254
Yellow Perch.....	340	428	185	51
Yellow Pike (or wall-eye).....	321	377	205	118
Whitefish.....	1,671	1,627	1,003	1,049
Other fresh-water fish.....	1,718	2,130	1,118	884
Shellfish: Frozen				
Scallops.....	387	133	802	581
Shrimp.....	4,375	6,449	9,011	6,590
Spiny Lobster tails,.....	323	171	173	166
Squid.....	555	1,083	602	519
Other shellfish.....	824	1,262	833	589
Frozen fish, total.....	56,063	69,857	78,971	51,438
Cured fish, total.....	15,805	9,162	12,992	13,414
Total All Fish.....	71,868	79,019	91,963	64,852

^{1/} Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, which publishes a report giving detailed information by species and geographical sections.

TOTAL WEIGHT OF COOLER AND FREEZER COMMODITIES, 1944-45



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*Beginning with July 1944 the number of commodities on which data were gathered was increased which makes it appear that a greater quantity of commodities were held in storage after July. The greater weight shown on the chart merely reflects a more complete coverage of cold storage commodities.

Table 14.-Cold storage holdings, March 1, 1945 by geographic divisions

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
FRESH FRUITS											
- Thousands -											
Apples.....	Barrels	-	1	-	-	34	-	-	-	-	34
Apples.....	Western Bxs.	24	143	247	117	64	29	102	19	6,932	7,677
Apples.....	Eastern Bxs.	1,185	3,253	559	-	747	5	2	-	-	5,751
Apples.....	Bu. Bskts.	14	1,736	983	236	2,025	102	10	14	-	5,120
Pears, Bartletts.....	Packed Bxs.	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	18	21
Pears, Bartletts.....	Loose Bxs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	20
Pears, all other varieties.....	Boxes	-	14	10	-	7	-	2	-	403	436
Pears.....	Bu. Bskts.	-	33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33
Other fresh fruits.....	Pounds	605	12,260	1,414	950	634	186	699	-	493	17,241
OTHER REF'TD. COMMODITIES											
Dried and evaporated fruits.....	Pounds	549	28,646	5,319	2,339	3,523	407	423	3	5,221	46,430
Canned fruits & vegetables.....	"	-	1,439	104	-	633	-	-	-	91	2,267
Nuts in shell.....	"	4	2,400	5,137	2,416	6,417	1,890	19,760	14	281	38,319
Nutmeats.....	"	4,826	9,825	21,440	902	2,018	670	531	593	3,384	44,189
Fish.....	"	8,230	11,317	7,201	2,572	5,658	2,572	2,058	514	11,316	51,438
Fresh vegetables.....	"	2,348	33,424	24,862	10,550	1,525	2,101	2,696	6,412	99,216	183,834
Hides and Pelts.....	"	-	3,167	19,128	31,888	338	445	1,664	1,115	1,779	59,524
DAIRY PRODUCTS AND EGGS											
Cream (not including plastic).....	Pounds	173	3,414	764	543	1,718	112	39	24	464	7,251
Cream, plastic.....	"	282	702	90	272	123	28	116	155	1,041	2,809
Butter, creamery.....	"	2,495	11,089	5,457	5,133	1,513	333	1,242	568	3,460	31,200
Cheese, American cheddar.....	"	576	15,413	68,975	10,229	739	3,427	4,869	3,450	9,879	117,557
Cheese, Swiss, including block.....	"	58	175	355	19	3	-	2	-	75	687
Cheese, brick and Munster.....	"	-	4	59	4	-	-	15	-	8	90
Cheese, all other varieties.....	"	268	2,863	3,530	67	84	17	677	818	566	8,890
Eggs, shell.....	Cases	12	177	91	22	33	10	7	10	162	524
Eggs, frozen (total).....	Pounds	4,768	22,487	22,545	13,441	3,193	2,061	4,467	943	11,487	85,392
Eggs, dried (total).....	"	4	53,157	31,679	15,471	1,783	333	7,579	539	557	111,102
FROZEN POULTRY											
Broilers.....	Pounds	206	392	903	1,163	188	89	-	38	552	3,531
Fryers.....	"	193	2,705	1,720	3,378	2,417	123	59	67	454	11,116
Roasters.....	"	852	11,518	4,087	4,472	146	98	21	51	422	21,667
Fowls.....	"	2,086	7,232	15,505	14,212	592	801	402	640	3,353	44,829
Turkeys.....	"	1,742	5,473	13,487	18,104	670	235	2,385	5,493	14,934	62,523
Ducks.....	"	39	516	247	86	69	18	2	1	15	993
Miscellaneous.....	"	596	5,209	4,824	1,227	775	337	210	81	334	13,533
Unclassified.....	"	168	3,577	2,869	7,796	2,374	232	359	537	8,048	25,960

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Cold storage holdings, March 1, 1945 by geographic divisions (cont'd.)

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
- Thousands -											
FROZEN FRUITS											
Apples.....	Pounds	1,534	14,628	8,138	3,399	2,927	1,073	1,488	2,213	10,425	45,825
Blackberries.....	"	300	1,323	1,937	355	192	86	215	170	2,566	7,144
Cherries.....	"	495	8,632	7,171	1,833	543	231	427	1,024	2,610	22,966
Young, Logan, Boysen, etc.....	"	160	1,492	1,266	487	270	35	90	52	2,731	6,583
Raspberries.....	"	1,237	3,076	2,064	727	156	143	77	115	1,829	9,424
Strawberries.....	"	1,061	4,270	2,719	1,404	734	530	708	206	2,945	14,577
Grapes.....	"	29	4,821	6,000	459	91	29	132	16	1,691	13,268
Plums and prunes.....	"	429	2,416	2,251	847	280	89	243	355	4,334	11,244
Peaches.....	"	547	5,275	6,700	1,348	2,348	459	1,122	688	3,511	21,998
Fruit juices and purees.....	"	555	7,865	2,687	547	1,221	15	599	41	1,544	15,074
All other fruits.....	"	1,250	16,364	14,448	2,370	1,274	392	1,282	1,169	11,207	49,756
FROZEN VEGETABLES											
Asparagus.....	Pounds	188	1,722	618	267	370	35	191	53	617	4,061
Beans, Lima.....	"	192	4,052	1,143	658	638	204	127	96	1,119	8,229
Beans, Snap.....	"	321	4,657	1,618	355	881	327	206	135	2,791	11,291
Broccoli.....	"	160	1,550	521	160	236	22	115	45	3,395	6,204
Cauliflower.....	"	143	543	334	103	159	8	109	16	1,521	2,936
Corn, sweet.....	"	190	5,342	1,433	3,153	348	55	162	146	3,730	14,559
Peas, green.....	"	944	10,576	2,254	1,168	1,310	229	515	1,691	10,853	29,540
Spinach.....	"	339	4,727	1,739	384	671	183	674	255	2,676	11,648
Brussel sprouts.....	"	183	1,225	309	166	352	7	56	26	523	2,847
Pumpkin and squash.....	"	588	2,308	1,041	872	244	5	105	137	1,537	6,837
Baked beans.....	"	28	1,250	322	330	55	11	91	108	180	2,375
Vegetable purees.....	"	100	264	18	42	79	-	1	9	29	542
All other vegetables.....	"	389	10,530	3,247	1,836	908	444	567	499	4,995	23,415
MEATS AND LARD											
Beef, frozen.....	Pounds	4,051	33,668	27,309	30,963	4,456	2,915	7,695	1,882	11,417	124,356
Beef, in cure, cured and smoked.....	"	56	899	2,629	3,540	311	40	493	72	334	8,374
Pork, frozen.....	"	3,064	19,078	40,544	49,991	5,241	1,731	4,039	2,036	7,307	133,031
Dry Salt pork, in cure and cured.....	"	2,862	3,569	36,932	44,204	3,592	361	1,249	434	6,299	99,508
All other pork, in cure, cured and smoked.....	"	4,346	12,571	37,924	58,713	6,082	1,514	4,965	2,518	8,482	137,115
Sausage room products.....	"	1,366	5,098	5,283	3,199	1,052	529	832	606	2,570	20,535
Lamb and mutton, frozen.....	"	537	3,474	4,216	5,343	358	511	758	729	507	16,433
Veal, frozen.....	"	815	1,298	1,051	1,262	200	119	1,317	45	302	6,409
Canned meats and meat products.....	"	23	2,420	4,946	8,105	1,330	-	129	54	416	17,423
All edible offal.....	"	530	6,210	6,141	11,110	1,007	859	1,557	534	844	28,802
Lard.....	"	719	33,275	12,142	10,543	5,146	417	591	399	1,800	69,016
Rendered Pork Fat.....	"	52	162	2,043	747	43	1	16	-	56	3,120

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